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THE DEMOCRATS will use every effort to prevent a Republican majority in the United States Senate. A Republican Congress and a Republican Senate means four new Republican States and twelve more Republican electoral votes. It is now reported that a Democratic movement is on foot in Delaware to contest the election of A. B. Richardson, the Kent County Republican State Senatorelect. On the face of the returns Mr. Richardson has a plurality of 133 over his Democratic competitor, Daniel M. Ridgely. Such a contest would be passed on by the Democratic State Senate. The grounds laid are three-the holding of election in districts where there were no Democratic judges at the polls, fraudulent votes and alleged illegality of the Saulsbury Republican combination ballots. Stress is laid on the latter ground. The uniform ballot law requires the heading to harmonize with the body of tickets. The combination tickets were headed Democratic, but a majority of the candidates thereon were Republicans. Protest was entered against them and against the ostracism of Democratic election officers before and while the voting was in progress. The effect of the unseating of Richardson and the seating of Ridgely would be to make the Legislature a tie on joint ballot and prevent the election by it of a United States Senator, thereby eventually placing the appointment of Senator Saulsbury's successor in the hands of the Governor, who would, of course, name

THE LATEST election return indicate that the next House of Representatives will consist of 160 Democrats and 162 Republicans, three districts being in doubt. These are the First California, the Fourth Connecticut and the Tenth Michigan, There will be a number of contested

THE ANARCHIST celebration in Chicago yesterday was as mild as the bluster of an Anarchist is tempestuous. There was so much talk before the affair that the police intimated in a friendly way that silence was golden and the Reds took the suggestion under consideration. They remembered at the same time that they were about to celebrate an occasion in the life of some of their leaders which possibly might result to them if they were rash of speech or action, and they wisely concluded that discretion was the better part of valor. As a rule we hang a man or men for cause in this country, and it is not altogether safe for the hangee's friends to get up much of a demonstration in his favor after the act. The law has a certain dignity to maintain, and it usually maintains it. It maintained it fairly well one year ago in Chicago, and the mory is still fresh. With those events still clear before police and Anarchist, it was not surprising that the celebration yesterday was a very mild one; that the crowd was calm and the utterances of the speakers exceedingly lamb-like, and that there was no dynamite bombs visible or audible anywhere in the neighborhood. The moral force of a hanging has not yet sunk into decay.

THE GOVERNOR OF MICHOACAN, 1 Mexican province, has imprisoned a newspaper correspondent for criticisms the President of the Republic. If this were a Mexican province what a climbing of trees there would be along Newspaper Row.

IN A RECENT LETTER to the Baltimore American appears a pathetic account of a meeting between Joaquin Miller and his daughter Maud in the Dime Museum of this city, where the latter was playing un engagement. The account reads: "They (the audience) saw standing near the door a sorrow-stricken old man. whose whitened locks crowned a face pitiful to behold. 'My God I my father !' cried Mand, and then bursting into tears sprang off the stage." A pure fake. Joaquin Miller has not whitened locks and was thousands of miles away when Maud Miller played here. The property which he is represented to have sold last week he disposed of two years ago.

THE YELLOW PE VER takes its own time about leaving Florida. It will probably not remain until Christmas.

MR. HARRISON went to church yester day, accompanied by his wife and family. After the services he walked home with a centleman while, the ladies of his party took the street-cars. This is the democracy of the Republican.

GENERAL ALGER is almost as glad as if he had got it himself.

MR- HARRISON sent this dispatch to Mr. Warner Miller after the result : I am grently grieved at your defeat. If the intropid leader fell outside the breastworks, the column, inspired by his conrage, went on to vic-

Gov. Hill might have sent this one to Mr. Cleveland:

"I am greatly grieved a your defeat. If the intrepld leader fell outside the breastworks, the column, inspired by his courage, went on to victory,

HORIZONTAL BILL MORRISON has once more resumed the purpendicular.

What He Would Say,

Epoch.

Jenkins (to Brown, carnes(ly)-"Brown, what would you say if I were to ask you to gold me Iwenty dollars ?"

Brown (reflictively)-" What would I say ! well up in figures." Ob, I would probably say 'Ho, he, he-ha, in, ha-waw, wow, wow,' or something of that sort, Jenkins."

"Insect to be seventh in my class, and now I stand sixteenth. Ob, I'm push-ling on."

A CRIMINAL MYSTERY.

A Missouri Tragedy Which Parallels the Men Who Have Contributed to Check

Whitechapel Horror, The Whitechapel murder mysteries which have appalled the civilized world and baffled the London police and detectives have brought out numerous recitals of revolting comicides in both the Old and New Worlds. trange to say, one of the most mysteriou

strange to say, one of the most mysterious and horrible wholesale murders in the history of crime, where the murderer has never been apprehended, has dropped out of sight, and all efforts to ferret out the guilty parity or parties long since ceased. The crime was the butchery of the Spencer family, near Luray, in Clark County, Mo., ten years ago.

The Spencer family, consisting of father, two daughters and a son, the father on the shady side of fitty, the daughters full-grown, and the son sixteen years of age, were classed among the best people of the county. Old man Spencer was frugal, and was supposed to have considerable money at all times. He owned a valuable farm and some property in the town of Luray. The murder was discovered by neighbors, who noticed that the house had not been opened, and as this had never happened before it created suspicion, and flually a distant relative, accompanied by his farm hand, broke into the unpretentious little farm house, and found on the first floor, in the rear room, the horribly muthated remains of old man Spencer. The house was a story and a shalf structure. The men proceeded to the attle floor, where the two girls mains of old man Spencer. The house was a story and a-half structure. The men proceeded to the attic floor, where the two girls were found in bed dead, and also terribly mutifated. The relative, who is still a resident of Clark County, knew that the son slept in the barn, and the horrified men continued their investigation in that direction, where young Spencer was found with his skull crushed and a pitchfork driven into his abdomen.

The alarm was given, and never had such excitement prevailed in that section of the State. The relative was suspected of having committed the murder in order to secure control of the property, and was promptly ar rested for the crime. Detectives were im-ported, among them one Frank Lane, from Louisville, Ky., who, after a few days, an-nounced that the man under arrest was innocent, and pointed out as the nurdere one Bill Young, who owned a large farm in the neigh-borhood and who was regarded as a dangerous man, though never convicted of any arime. Young was arrested, and narrowly escaped ynching, meanwhile protesting his innoceuce nd claiming he could show his movements nd whereabouts during the entire week of he murder. When his case came to trial one aura Sprouse, a dressmaker, testified that she was in Young's company during the time he was accused of having committed the quadruple murder, and brought in a host of witnesses to show her own whereabouts night and day. The trial lasted several days, and attracted wide attention. The jury brought in a verdict of "not guilty," and Young was released.

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The people were not pleased with the result of the trial and made strong threats of taking justice into their own hands. Laura Sprouse came in for her share of censure and it was intimated that she knew more about the murder than she would teil. Two weeks after the trial Bill Young married Laura Sprouse, and the couple went to Keokuk, Iowa, on their britial trip. Young was a widower and had several small children. He had been defended in his trial by a Kentucky lawer named Coffman, who fought for his client like a tiger and did much to save his neck, with the aid of the woman Sprouse. Frank Lane, the Kentucky detective, chagrined at the release of Young, remained in Clark County, endeavoring to secure new evidence against the sequited man, and finally succeeded in arousing the neighbors of the murdered Spencers to freuzy and a desire to lynch Bill Young.

A FAITHFUL LAWYER.

A PAITHFUL LAWYER. Coffman, the attorney, telegraphed Young while at Keokuk to remain away until the intense feeling had subsided. Young, with his bride, was at the dinner table in the Stanleigh House, Keokuk, when he received the message of warning. He laughed aloud, threw the message on the floor, and, when asked what course the would pursue, said:

"I shall return home at once."

He was as good as his word, and did return to his farm in Clark County the following.

o his farm in Clark County the following A mob of over 200 men arrived at the Young farm a few hours after its owner's return. Coffman, the lawyer, beat the mob to the farm and give the alarm, and Young bar-ricaded doors and windows, brought out a rifle, double-barreled shotgun and two revolvers and prepared to defend himself. When the mob arrived they found the muzzles of a shotgun and rifle protruding from apertures in the house and baited at a safe distance. A parley was held and it was decided to surround the house. This was attempted, but Young was on the alert and met his assailants at every turn. After several of the mob had been wounded and Young had been shot in the arm, the latter's ammunition gave out, and the mob with a rush battered in the doors and poured into the house. Young was game and had mounted a pair of rifle, double-barreled shotgun and two revol-

stairs where he stood, covered with blood, one arm hanging by his side, and in his right hand a rusty saber with which he held his bloodthirsty pursuers at bay for several minutes thirsty pursuers at bay for several minutes. He was finally overpowered and dragged from the house, and, despite the pleadings of his wife and children, placed in his own wagon, which was run under the arched gateway, when the rope was quickly adjusted around Young's neck, fastened to the crosspiece above and the wagon then hauled from under Young's feet. He was game to the end and did not appeal for mercy.

A MYSTERY STILL. After waiting long enough to be assured that their work had been accomplished, the mob departed, leaving Young's body danging from the gate. The victim's wife, nee Laura Sprouse, cut the body down as quickly as possible, and efforts were made to resuscitate Young, but without avail. Coffman, the successible was found by meaning the successions of the company of the successions of the company of the successions. attorney, pale with terror, was found by mem-bers of the mob in the corn-crib and given ten minutes to leave the country, on pain of death. They shot his plug hat full of holes to

death. They shot his ping hat full of holes to emphasize the order.

Laura Sprouse-Young was notified that she could not remain in Clark County, and she removed to Keokuk, Iowa, where, about a year after the tragic events above narrated, she committed suicide by taking morphine. It was always believed that she knew more about the Spencer murder than any one else, and a newspaper correspondent worked untiringly to glean some information from her, but signally failed.

"When I am on my death bed," she would respond, "come to me and I will tell you all I knew. Not before."

When the correspondent was informed by

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When the correspondent was informed by the city physician that Laura Sprouse, as she was always called, was dying he hurried to her hedside at midnight, but she was too far se to answer his enger inquiries, responding

Did Bill Young kill the Spencers?"

And there the awful mystery rested. Young could have had no motive for the murder save robbery or the gratification of a homicidal mania. He was in go al strumsiances and the theory of robbery was not regarded as a good one. Though lynched after having been declared funceant by twelve of his fellow-citizens, and no ovidence against him save the weakest kind of circular testimony and an unwayory record violent death second to satisfy the peaud the Clark County butchery is all orgotten. The murderer may yet be allound in their midst, but the citizens of Clar County have long since given up all efforuntiated the mystery surrounding the bute of the Spencer family.

A Long Run Without a Curve.

The new Argentine Pacific Railroad from Buenos Ayres to the foot of the Andes has on it what is probably the longest tangent in the world. This is 212 miles without a curve. In this distance there is not a single bridge, and no opening larger than an ordinity out-vert, no cut greater than one metre of depth and no fill of a height exceeding one metre. There is almost an entiwhich the western end of the cost is located. This has led to the extensive use of metallic ties, which will be em-ployed on nearly the entire road.

Quick at "Figgers."

Fond Mother - Well, Harold, how are you succeeding at college 79 Harold-" The professor says I am getting

SPECULATIVE RAILROAD DIRECTORS

the Business World. No single cause has contributed more largely to check the feeling of bnoyancy in the business world than the happenings in the management of a few large railways during the past few months. Complaints of the doings of speculative boards of directors are not new. Yet

the public receives a violent shock every time when insiders are forced ultimately to give an account of their stewardship and it becomes impossible to conceal that the finances of great corporations have been allowed to drift into a frightful condition. It is true that, in the majority of cases, suspicion rests on roads whose manages are prominent in opera-tions in Wall street, who are liberal with "points" and are enger to parade in the newspapers and on the tape their strong convictions of coming prosperity.

The country has witnessed the specta-ele of men, high in standing in financial others, withing themselves on record in

circles, putting themselves on record the most unqualified way, when the must have known that they were delimust have known that they were deliverately deceiving the public and their friends. Striking instances of this kind have happened in the past six months. They have done much to unsettle confidence at a time when the outlook seemed to warrant a bright future. Sharp pine tice like this enunot be too vigorously condemned. It is only too often accom-panied by the cooking of reports of earn-ings and financial statements, and those who profit by stock operations during the period of concealment, are only to apt to aid the demoralization following the final revelation of the truth for selapt to aid the demoralization following the final revolation of the truth for sel-fish purposes.

Another class of directors are those

Another class of directors are those who autocratically handle the property committed to their charge with the best of motives. Long years of successful management may have bred a confidence and a pride which shrinks from acknowledging an error of judgment. Straining well-carned confidence and credit to the utpost to cover the confidence are to tide over well-carned confidence and credit to the utmost to cover defeat, or to tide over embarrassment, they are apt to surprise their friends and their enemies alike by startling developments. The difficulties into which one prominent system has been plunged lately will illustrate the dangers to investors and to the business interests of the country of such management. We attribute to such happenings as these the halt noticed for some time past in the rising tide of general prospast in the rising tide of general perity. They are incidents which may delay, but cannot in the long run arrest, the movement. In nearly all the lepartments of the iron trade there is a hopeful feeling, which augurs well for the future, in spite of the set-backs which some of the developments in railrond circles have created.

Gems. Rich and Rare. A late wrinkle is a dull-gold match safe simulating a leathern wallet.

In bracelets a heavy coil of rope in variegated enamel is the latest design. Umbrella handles of recent design are of gold and silver, peculiarly blended.

Among recent hairpin devices is one repre-senting a cornstalk in green gold. New sleeve links of Roman gold a sume the appearance of miniature baseball bate. Miniature paintings are now being adopted as earrings in circles of colored pearls. Punch bowls in oxidized silver wickerwork and lived with gold, now claim attention. Watch cases are now ornamented

lowers in dead enamel to imitate hand-paint-

There seems to be quite a demand for genta' gold lockets with sunken diamond mono-

Plaques of white or blue enamel, set with turquoises or garnets, have been designed as breastpins. Two rows of beads, one of small pearls and

ne of cut steel, form a most desirable misses

quite appropriate.

An ingenious idea is a little paper weight, a fac-simile of an old-fushioned mile stone, in solid white onyx.

Oxidized silver cigar boxes are now being made with a receptacle inside to hold a sus-picious looking little flask. Some of the most stylish fans the coming eason will be ornamented with etched ivory

and silver gilt sticks. Specially attractive as a breastpin is a golden scythe, entwining a spray of enameled pausies with gold stems.

Small polished gold pegs introduced this season now share the popularity of knife-edge settings in brooches and earrings. Indicative of the approaching winter season Young was game and had mounted a pair of is a ladies' miniature muff, in nugget finish gold, as a queen chain pendant.

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